GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Indo-China Terror Pact
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and China have held discussions about counter terror collaboration recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said discussion was held in the backdrop of the Paris attacks and other events;

(d) if so, whether India has also sought Chinese assistance to share its strategy in dealing with terror activities in that country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the information sought from China regarding alleged supply of arms to North East militants?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
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(a) to (d) Yes. Home Minister Shri Rajnath Singh visited China from 18-23 November, 2015. Home Minister had meetings with Minister Guo Shengkun and Politburo Member Meng Jianzhu and called on Premier Li Keqiang. The two sides strongly condemned the terrorist attacks in Paris and reiterated their resolute opposition to terrorism in all its forms and manifestations. The two sides agreed to enhance cooperation in combating international terrorism through exchange of information, exchange of experiences and coordinating positions on anti-terrorism endeavors at regional and multilateral levels.

The two sides noted that Joint Working Group meeting on Counter Terrorism was held on 4th November, 2015 in New Delhi where both sides exchanged views about the spread of terrorism in different parts of the world and the efforts required to counter the menace. The importance of addressing the problem of terrorism through early finalization of a Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism (CCIT) under the auspices of the UN was emphasized by India.

(e) This issue was discussed during the visit of Home Minister to China as well as during the meeting of Joint Working Group on Counter-Terrorism held in New Delhi. Chinese Government has conveyed that it would never support armed groups that are against the Government of India.